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SENATE COMMITTEE CANNOT AGREE

Difference of Opinion of Members Shown in Various Ways—Probe Is Continued.

Oklahoma City, Jan. 2.—That the senatorial investigating committee will work right up to the reconvention of the senate, one day before the regular session, Monday, January 6, and then present a "split" report of its investigation now appears probable.

Chance remarks let drop by one or two members of the committee indicate considerable difference of opinion already brewing among the seven senators who have been conducting the probe, and it is understood that this difference affects several of the preliminary findings the committee is making as various points in the investigation are passed.

The first vote in committee which might show how the wind blows came Wednesday afternoon over the question of allowing Assistant State Game Warden Don G. Lawhead to answer a query as to what he knew of alleged "crookedness" in the state printing department.

Mr. Lawhead had just stated, in substance, that as assistant to the state game warden, he had ignored the state printing department as much as possible because he wanted the printing affairs of his office kept clean.

Split on Question.
"I wish you would tell this committee," said Senator McIntosh, who was cross-examining, "what you know of crookedness in the state printing department?"

Senator Carpenter at once objected to the question. The state printing department was not being probed, he said, in brief, and the senate committee should not burden the records with such irrelevant matter. The legislature probably would investigate that office in due time, anyhow, he believed.

Senator Echols, seconded Senator Carpenter's objection on the same grounds. He too indicated the legislature would investigate the state printer's office in due time. "I would be only too glad to go into it now," concluded the senator, "but I do not think it is part of the committee's business."

Senator McIntosh urged that anything which would mitigate the refusal of the game warden's office to pass its printing out through the usual channels should be allowed.

Four Favor Testimony.

Upon vote, Senator Echols, Carpenter and Barfoot were against the question being asked Mr. Lawhead; Senators Thomas, McIntosh, Jones and Franklin were for it.

But when the lid on what appeared to be a sensation was lifted by Mr. Lawhead answering as to what he knew of the alleged "crookedness," it developed he was not referring to anything in the way of criminality or graft, but to the fact, he stated, that the printing department was unfair in letting printing contracts. To substantiate this, he introduced into the records three requisitions for printing synopses of the game laws, each for the same kind of work, he said. One of these, he said, the printing department let to the Shawnee News-Herald Victor Harlow's paper then, for \$224.40; another to the Anadarko American for \$142; and the third, to quote the witness, "to a poor little country newspaper, the Waynoka Democrat, for \$97.90." This, he said, was unfair discrimination, and was what he meant by "crookedness."

The fact is, as has been plainly shown during the investigation, there are serious disputes between various departments, possibly two or three of these and the references to such make up some of the most interesting features of the senatorial investigation.

That between the state printer's office and the fish and game warden department was first shown to the committee Tuesday when Assistant State Printer H. S. McGill testified that the other department refused to give the state printer's office its requisitions for printing and had "balled out his stenographer" when he sent him up to ask why.

Lawhead Denies Notice.

Wednesday, Don G. Lawhead of the game warden's office retailed by testifying that it had been a deliberate misstatement that his department had received such notice from the state printer, and then made his remarks relative to ignoring the state printing department because he wanted his printing affairs kept clean from any "crookedness." He incidentally referred to the report of the state examiner and inspector, as a result of which State Printer Giles W. Farris is now out on bond.

That John B. Doolin, state game warden, may not be a party to this departmental friction was indicated by his request to the senate committee that that portion of Mr. Lawhead's testimony be stricken from the records.

But, on the other hand, it rather appears that Mr. Doolin had a little case on with State Treasurer Bob Dunlop, or rather, possibly, the latter with him, since Mr. Doolin, during that portion of his own examination relative to shipping quail out of the state, read into the records a telegram alleged to have been sent by State Treasurer Dunlop to the state treasurer of New Jersey, inquiring minutely as to any shipments of Oklahoma quail that might have gone to that state for propagation or other purposes. Mr. Doolin also read the telegraphic reply, which, if it had any effect at all, was certainly exonerative of the game warden, so far as concerns any anxiety that too many Oklahoma quail leave this state. The New Jersey man said the number received was very small, much less than had been hoped for.

Amos Explains Printing.

The examinations Wednesday were destitute of any very interesting matters. Mr. Doolin, Mr. Lawhead and P. S. E. Amos, secretary to Governor Bruce, were the witnesses.

Secretary Amos explained the printing of the governor's messages to the fourth legislature, showing that the claim was not for \$316.54, but that three claims, each less than \$200, made up this amount, and that under the law the governor had a perfect right to let these small contracts without the same taking the usual course through the state printer's department.

Mr. Doolin's examination Wednesday, continued by Senator McIntosh, developed the fact that Fred Barde of Guthrie, the dean of the Oklahoma newspaper correspondents and for many years the Kansas City Star's Oklahoma correspondent, had a contract with the department to compile a fish and game booklet for \$300, of which \$150 had been paid him. Mr. Doolin said he intended to distribute such a book over the state.

The examination was returned to Mr. Doolin's expense vouchers, telephone bills, and again touched upon the Renfrew Record contract for printing 75,000 hunting licenses. Senator McIntosh exhibited claims paid for trips from Tulsa to Oklahoma City and asked Mr. Doolin if he thought the state should pay his expenses from his home to his office.

"Yes, I believe so," said Mr. Doolin.

Lawhead Touches on Contract.

While Mr. Lawhead was on the stand the question of the contract with the Renfrew Record again came up. Senator McIntosh returned again and again to the question: "Why did the department let a contract for more than \$200 instead of turning it over to the state printer?" Mr. Doolin asked that he be permitted to answer the question.

"I made the contract with the Renfrew Record," he said, "because I wanted the paper to have it. It has always been my policy to favor the country newspapers, if they make the right prices." As to the legality of his action, Mr. Doolin was not certain. At

LUTHER MCCARTHY MASTERS PALZER

Palzer Never Had a Chance And Took An Awful Beating From McCarthy's Hands.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 1.—Luther McCarthy, of Springfield, Mo., shattered the heavyweight championship ambitions of Al Palzer, the Iowa giant, at the Vernon arena today. For nearly eighteen rounds he used the huge frame of the Iowan as a punching bag.

The middle of the eighteenth round found Palzer staggering blindly about under a volley of lefts to his battered face and when Referee Charles Eytan hoisted the right hand of the smiling cowboy pugilist the decision was received with cheers.

McCarthy's victory after his decisive defeat three weeks ago of Jim Flynn places him at the top of the list of white heavyweights.

McCarthy has announced and reiterated the statement today that he never would fight a negro.

Palzer in spite of his superior height, weight and reach was no match for the cool headed agile youngster. He literally stumbled through the fight, assimilating awful punishment. His rushes were wholly ineffective. He landed very few clean blows throughout the fight.

Palzer began the fight with an aggressiveness that indicated a desire to finish his man in short order but McCarthy had little difficulty in eluding him.

Only once Palzer appeared to have an advantage. In one of the early rounds McCarthy slipped to the mat and Palzer rushed in, launching a right uppercut to catch the rising man but McCarthy ducked out of danger.

McCarthy fought cleverly throughout taking his time and beating down his man systematically. He seldom wasted a blow and hit with deadly precision. Palzer had practically no defense against the Missourian's whip like left, delivered straight from the shoulder, and seldom was he able to block the right swing or uppercut which invariably followed a series of straight lefts.

McCarthy landed with an accuracy that became monotonous. Palzer's eyes were kept almost continually on his manager, the veteran Tom O'Rourke, who shouted instructions to him through a megaphone. He appeared to have no initiative whatever. O'Rourke's instructions were as audible to McCarthy as to Palzer and every move of the Iowan was anticipated by his foe.

Palzer's face was badly disfigured and he showed the effects of his beating even more than did McCarthy's last victim, the veteran Flynn.

In the eighteenth round Palzer walked unsteadily to the center of the ring and literally fell into a left hook that dazed him. He clung to McCarthy's shoulders and when they separated McCarthy shot two lefts to the jaw. McCarthy, apparently unwilling to administer the finishing punch, backed away and the referee stopped the fight. McCarthy's only mark was a cut under the right eye.

McCarthy entered the ring at 2:54 after watching the last preliminary from a ringside seat. He was followed by Palzer within a few moments.

Ringside betting appeared to favor McCarthy although offers of 10 to 8 were greedily accepted by Palzer's backers. Most of the heavy betting was at even money.

Palzer's weight was announced at 227 and McCarthy's 205.

David Alonza Mains, age 59, and Mrs. Belle Kaufman, age 36, both of Vinita, were married yesterday afternoon by Justice E. A. Stanley.

the time, he had believed he could let his own printing. He cited the fact that various departments attended entirely to their own printing, especially during the first months after the 1911 legislature.

John Wayne of Ardmore, of the famous Oklahoma Brokerage company, now defunct, whom Eugene Gill Tuesday accused of collecting commissions from contractors for state supplies on the grounds that he controlled the state board of affairs, arrived in Oklahoma City Wednesday under subpoena from the committee as a witness, and will be examined Thursday. The committee expects to finish with the game warden's office Thursday and to take up the state election board, or rather Secretary Ben W. Riley of that board, on Friday.

FROM WINNEPEG TO THE GULF

The 2,000-Mile Winnipeg-Galveston Highway Nearly Finished.

Newton, Kans., Jan. 1.—The Meridian Road is logged, organized and open for motor traffic from Winnipeg to Galveston. From Winnipeg to Wichita, Kans., more than one thousand miles, it already is a first class dirt road. From Wichita south two routes have been located, one through Enid, El Reno and Lawton to Wichita Falls, Tex., and the other by way of the Santa Fe towns to Oklahoma City, thence to El Reno through Lawton to Wichita Falls. From Wichita Falls to Fort Worth the tourist can take his choice between the Jacksboro route or the Bowie route.

From Fort Worth there are again two routes. The one to Cleburne and thence to Waco by way of Glenrose, Clifton and Meridian is a longer but better road than by way of Hillsboro. That part of the Meridian Road between the Red River and Waco is called the North Texas division. The gulf division of the Meridian Road was organized at Houston.

Forks From Waco.

A Waco the Meridian Road forks, one branch extending southeast on the east side of the Brazos river through Marlin, Hearne, Bryan, College Station, Navasota, Hempstead, Houston to Galveston; while the other branch extends from Waco, through Temple, Granger, Austin, San Marcus, New Braunfels to San Antonio. Between Waco and Hempstead is a very poor road. Many miles of it is what is called black, waxy land and many miles of sand. From about twenty-five miles east of Hempstead through Houston to Galveston is a shell road about one hundred miles in length, which is the longest and best stretch of road on the Meridian Road between Winnipeg and the Gulf of Mexico. Between Waco and Granger the road is very bad in wet weather.

From Granger through Austin to San Antonio is a fairly good road. Near Houston and Galveston there has been constructed about one thousand miles of shell road that are equal if not superior for motoring to the oiled roads in Southern California.

Cities Work For the Roads.

Realizing that it is necessary to have a good road in and out of the Gulf Coast country, Houston and Galveston are actively behind the movement to construct and maintain the gulf division of the Meridian Road. Likewise San Antonio will do all it can to cause to be constructed a first class road between San Antonio, Waco, Port Worth and north. There also will be constructed in the near future a road from San Antonio to Houston, thereby forming a loop for traffic in Central Texas.

The Meridian Road will also connect with Dallas through Fort Worth, thirty miles distant, thus placing all of the large cities of Texas on the Meridian Road. Governor Colquitt recently recommended the construction of the above roads, which are entitled to federal aid.

Over Famous Causeway.

Entering Galveston the route goes two miles over the famous causeway, which cost \$2,500,000. The causeway is 10,642 feet in length, divided into a roadway, arch bridge and lift bridge. The arches with a 70-foot span and a 9-foot rise. The roller lift bridge gives a clear water-way of one hundred feet. The roadway is 154 feet wide, carrying forty feet of county roadway and five railroad tracks with room for four more. The arch bridge part has a total width of sixty-six feet consisting of twenty-two feet for county road, fifteen feet for single track interurban and twenty-nine feet for double track steam road. The massive roller lift bridge is the largest of its kind in the world. It stands 165 feet in the air from the high tide mark and weighs 3,293,000 pounds of which seven hundred tons is steel. The rest of the weight being made of five hundred cubic yards of concrete placed as a counter balance. The bridge is operated by electric power motors with a storage battery for reserve. This causeway practically makes Galveston a part of the main land. Galveston ranks next to New York among American ports in the total of foreign exports and is the greatest cotton port in the world.

There has been expended upon the Meridian Road north of Oklahoma the first year between \$350,000 and \$400,000. On that part across Oklahoma and Texas, at least one-third of a

million dollars will be expended in 1913. The work begun will persistently be followed up until there is a first class road from Lake Winnipeg to the Gulf of Mexico.

Cubs Are on "Water Wagon."

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 1.—According to a rule recently laid down by President Murphy of the Chicago National league club, the baseball players of his organization are on the "water wagon" today and hereafter during the 1913 season.

Murphy's edict precipitated heated words from Frank Chance, the late manager, who claimed that his players lost no games on account of too frequent tipping. Manager Evers, who succeeds Chance, says the orders of the president must be obeyed.

COUNTY OFFICERS WILL TAKE OFFICE

The following list of county and district officers will take charge next Monday. Deputies have been chosen. The county treasurer and superintendent of schools hold over until July.

County judge, S. F. Parks; deputies, J. F. McCullough, Owen Cash; Billy Byrd, stenographer.

District clerk, Lee R. Mitchell, C. V. Carselowsky, deputy.

County clerk, E. J. McBride. (No deputy).

Register of deeds, W. L. Trott; deputies, B. C. Rose and Henryetta Patton.

County assessor, V. A. Kinnison; deputies, S. J. Campbell, office deputy; field deputies, G. W. Zumwalt, Estella; W. E. Baldwin, Centralia; J. R. Evans, Hollow; W. C. Woodall, R. F. D. No. 8, Vinita; George W. Taylor, Afton; Ed. S. Lane, Chetopa; C. L. Richey, Big Cabin; G. L. White, Centralia; Township No. 7, W. O. Hallum.

County attorney, W. H. Voyles; G. P. Fogle, deputy.

County treasurer, J. V. Roberts.

County superintendent, Thomas W. Smith.

Sheriff, Polly Smartt; M. B. Lionberger, office deputy; Lee Webb, field deputy; M. E. Simerson and L. C. Couch, county jail.

The new board of county commissioners will be: J. M. Simms of Welch, Chas. Teenor of Vinita, and Sam Harrison of Centralia.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Cowan entertained at seven o'clock dinner last night in honor of his employees. A delightful evening was spent in playing games.

SOUTHERN TEAM IS VICTORIOUS

Many Players of Note Took Part—Five Vanderbilt Men Played Stellar Game.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 1.—Using old-style football almost exclusively, the All-Star Southern football team, composed of star players from Vanderbilt, Sewanee, Mississippi Southeastern, Prebyterian and Alabama Universities, defeated the All-Star Southwestern team by a score of 26 to 0. The five Vanderbilt players featured the game with their fast work, Morrison, Hardage and Neeley especially playing in championship style. Von Tress, of Christmas Brothers College, St. Louis, featured for the All-Southwestern. The tackling of Cheap, of Sewanee, also was good. Line plunges secured the first touchdown for the southerners, Cahall carrying the ball across. They added one in the second and two in the fourth periods.

The line up:

All Star Southern.

Adams, Mississippi, C. Cheape, Sewanee, and Covington and Connell, Vanderbilt, LG.

Hasslock, Alabama and Cheape, Sewanee, RG.

Freeland, Vanderbilt, LT.

Barker, Mississippi, RT.

Robbins, Vanderbilt and Watson, Alabama, LE.

Walton, Southwestern Presbyterian, U. RE.

Hardage, Vanderbilt, LH.

Neeley, Vanderbilt, RH.

Cahall, Southwestern Presbyterian, FB.

Morrison and Robbins, Vanderbilt, QB.

All Star Southwestern.

Cushman, Texas A. and M., and Gray, Austin College, C.

Ware, T. C. U. and Golsen, T. C. U., LG.

St. Clair, Polytechnic, RG.

Golsen, T. C. U. and Montgomery Polytechnic, LT.

Gant, Baylor and Brown, Austin College, RT.

Everitt, Texas A. and M., and Chamberlin, Alabama, LE.

Rattan, T. C. U., and Chambers, Alabama, RE.

Hunter, Transylvania and Nelm, Texas A. and M., LH.

Von Tress, Christian Brothers College, RH.

Sparks, Texas A. and M., and Richards, Austin College, QB.

Cox, T. C. U., FB.

Touchdowns—Cahall, 2; Morrison, 1; Hardage, 1. Goals kicked, Hahall.

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